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In response to the final Office Action mailed March 27, 2007, please reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows.

In the event that an extension of time is required for this amendment to be considered timely, and a petition therefor does not otherwise accompany this amendment, any necessary extension of time is hereby petitioned for.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due, including extension of time and excess claim fees, to counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/ LCNT/WELLENS.